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	Application No.	Applicant(s)
	10/029,255	MAEDA ET AL.
Notice of Allowability	Examiner	Art Unit
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1. This communication is responsive to After Final Amendment filed on August 23, 2006.		
2. X The allowed claim(s) is/are 1, 3, 6-11,14-19 (renumbered as 1-14, respectively).		
3. ⊠ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f). a) ⊠ All b) □ Some* c) □ None of the:		
1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.		
2. ☑ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. 09/394,526.		
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(a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached		
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Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material	8. Examiner's Stateme	ent of Reasons for Allowance
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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

1. The applicant(s) After Final amendment filed August 23, 2006 has been fully considered, entered, and made of record.

Response to Arguments

2. The applicant(s) arguments with respect to Claim 14 regarding the feature of a "third means...stator" (line 9), see pages 7 and 8 of the response filed on August 23, 2006, have been fully considered and found to be persuasive.

In regards to the merits of Ohmi, the examiner further adds that the first means (e.g. 4, 5) of Ohmi et al cannot possibly move in any axial direction because the first means is completely fixed and cannot move in any axial direction because of the fastener 27 and holding plate 26. So the structure of the third means (ejection member with pins 13) of Ohmi et al cannot, and is no way capable of, moving the first means in any axial direction. Therefore, Ohmi cannot meet the limitations of a "third means...stator" (line 9 of Claim 14).

Accordingly, the 35 U.S.C. 102 rejection of Ohmi et al has been withdrawn. Claims 1-19 are allowed.

Conclusion

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to A. Dexter Tugbang whose telephone number is 571-272-4570. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 5:00 pm.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Peter Vo can be reached on 571-272-4690. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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